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DEPT PASS ISCWG AT DEPT OF ENERGY

STATE FOR NEA/ARP

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OTRA, ENRG, TECH, KU

SUBJECT: VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION WORKING

GROUP (ISCWG)

REF: (A) STATE 115487, (B) TEHRAN 4417, (C) STATE 135350 (NOTAL), (D) KUWAIT 2862, (E) KUWAIT 3427.

1. BASED ON OUTLINE OF ISCWG PLANS AND OBJECTIVES
REF C, EMBASSY CONTACTED MINISTRY OF ELECTRICITY AND WATER
(MEW), KUWAIT INSTITUTE FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (KISR),
SCIENCE DEPT. AT KUWAIT UNIVERSITY, AND SELECTED PRIVATE
FIRMS TO DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF LIKELY CONTACTS FOR
WORKING GROUP. NONE OF THE PARTIES CONCERNED WILL BE IN
KUWAIT DURING TIME PERIOD SCHEDULED FOR ISCWG VISIT.
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RAMADAN, SEPTEMBER 4.

2. DR. MOHAMMED A.S. MALIK, CHIEF OF SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH AT KISR WILL BE IN CAIRO JUNE 16 THROUGH 26 FOR CONFERENCE PRIOR TO PROCEEDING TO ANNUAL LEAVE. DR. MALIK IS SINGLE INDIVIDUAL MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT SOLAR ENERGY MATTERS IN KUWAIT AND ISCWG CAN MEET WITH

HIM IN CAIRO.

- 3. SINCE (1) NONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS CAPABLE OF PROVIDING ISCWG WITH DESIRED INFORMATION WILL BE IN KUWAIT DURING TEAM VISIT, (2) COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS OF SOLAR ENERGY ARE, AS NOTED REFS D AND E, PRACTICALLY NON-EXISTENT, AND (3) ISCWG CAN MEET MALIK IN CAIRO, WE SUGGEST THAT THE ISCWG POSTPONE THEIR VISIT TO KUWAIT UNTIL SOME FUTURE DATE.
- 4. ACTION REQUESTED: ISCWG CANCEL VISIT TO KUWAIT AND SO INFORM HILTON SO HOTEL RESERVATIONS MAY BE CANCELLED. SUTHERLAND

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